

THE ALEXANDRIA RAILROAD.—To Col. Alex-

ander, our City Postmaster, we are under

obligations for a prompt reply to our query of

your issue of August 10th, regarding the

of the Alexandria papers of Monday morning

reaching Washington until next day. The fol-

lowing reply of Col. Alexander, while it fully

exonerates the post offices of Washington and

Alexandria from any blame in the matter, yet

shows a rather different view of affairs

by which we are deprived of any mails from

city only six miles off, from Saturday night

until Monday night.

Post Office, Washington City, D. C., Aug.

18, 1893.—Gentlemen: I find in your

issue of last evening, an inquiry regarding the

Alexandria newspapers of Monday morning

not received till the next day. The cause

of complaint is not attributable to the office or

the office at Alexandria, as the Potomac mail

boat intercepts the Sunday night trip from

Aquia Creek to Washington, and as no other

arrangement exists for transporting the Alex-

andria mail on Monday morning, the mail is

unavoidably detained, and sent by the Orange

and Alexandria railroad, which leaves here at

6 o'clock p. m. I remain, respectfully,

C. M. Alexander, Postmaster.

Editors of the Evening Star, Washington, D. C.

LONDON CITY, VIRGINIA.—In view of the

negotiations in progress for the purchase of

London and Hampshire railroad with the

District cities, by a branch railroad, the follow-

ing information in relation to the fertile coun-

try through which that road passes, and which

will be owned by the London and Hampshire

Co., is of interest to our readers.

London county, Virginia, has laid off from

Fairfax county in 1752, and it is bounded on

the north and northeast, for about forty miles,

by the Potomac river, on the east, by Fairfax

county, on the north, by Prince William and

Fauquier, and on the west by Clarke county.

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LABOR MOVEMENTS.—A new organization

of bricklayers was formed on Friday evening

last at St. Stephen's Island, by Mr. Charles

Braham, Jr., James Sumpter, of Union No. 12,

of New York, and others, who were

with thirty-five members, pledged to sustain

their New York brethren in every possible

way. The new organization was

During the quarter ending June 30th, 1893, six

new Unions were formed, making altogether

up to that time thirty-one Unions in good stand-

ing in the National Union of Operative

layers. Three of these are located in New Jer-

sey, two in Pennsylvania, and one in Indiana.

There have been several other Unions formed

besides these, which have not united them-

selves with the National Union.

At a meeting of the master masons in New

York yesterday afternoon Mr. Ross denied a

statement to the effect that the bosses had ex-

pressed a willingness to concede eight hours as

a day's work, if the restrictions in relation to

apprentices and other rules were withdrawn.

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